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1. THIS MATTER IS OF INTEREST TO ITALY WHICH IS A MAJOR EXPORTER OF APPLES. TWO-THIRDS OF ITALIAN APPLE EXPORTS GENERALLY GO TO OTHER EC COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY WEST GERMANY, WITH MOST OF THE BALANCE GOING TO OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES (EAST AND WEST).

2. SINCE IN CURRENT SEASON WEST GERMANY, FRANCE AND ITALY ALL HAVE LARGE CROPS, ITALIAN APPLE EXPORTS TO EC MEMBERS EXPECTED DECLINE THIS SEASON AND A LARGER SHARE OF TOTAL EXPORTS PRESUMABLY WILL GO TO COUNTRIES OUTSIDE THE EC.

3. ITALIAN APPLES BENEFITTING FROM THE EC SUBSIDY (42 LIRE/KILO) WILL DEFINITELY BE COMPETING WITH U.S. APPLES IN SWEDEN, NORWAY AND FINLAND.

4. ITALIAN APPLE EXPORTS IN THE CURRENT SEASON ARE ESTIMATED AROUND 350,000 METRIC TONS, COMPARED WITH 420,000 IN 1974-75.

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IN PAST YEARS ITALY EXPORTED 10,000 METRIC TONS OR LESS OF

APPLES TO SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES.BEAUDRY

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